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are cases at other places in Mississippi, but I have not sufficient data to report them. Three cases occurred at Ocean Springs, Miss., about February 20, the result of contact with one of the escaped Hendersons Point cases.

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

R. D. MURRAY,
Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Smallpox at Geneva, N. Y.

GENEVA, N. Y., June 4, 1898.

SIR: Replying to your letter of the 3d instant initialed "G. T. V.," I beg to state the following facts regarding the cases of smallpox now in quarantine here:

The Joshua Simpkins Theatrical Company spent the winter in the Southern States. On March 23d last, a member of the company was taken sick in Charleston, W. Va., followed in three or four days by an eruption, the remains of which have the appearance of varioloid. Four other cases developed, 1 of which was undoubtedly genuine smallpox. He was taken directly from the company's car to the hospital for contagious diseases in Ithaca, N. Y.; but the company was allowed to proceed and give a performance in Trumansburg, and from there to Geneva, when this board was informed of the facts, and the company was immediately quarantined in their cars on May 21. The company consisted of 28 persons, 3 of whom showed evidence of recent attacks of varioloid. On May 25 another person became sick, and the company was transferred to a large boat on Seneca Lake, which allowed a complete separation of the sick man from his fellows. This case has since developed into genuine smallpox. With the exception of 1 man, on whom several varioloid pustules appeared during successful vaccination, no other cases have developed. To-day letters have been received from Swainsboro, Ga., to the effect that a member of the Simpkins is there and has had the disease, besides other persons, who have been infected from him.

I am, sir, yours most truly,

EDWIN R. BISHOP,
Health Officer.